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For: Metal Single Layer Abrasive Having a Contoured Cutting Surface

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.97

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In compliance with Applicant(s)' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98, Applicant(s) direct the Examiner's attention to the Letter to the Commissioner re 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and to the publications listed on the PTO #1449 form which is being submitted herewith. Copies of all publications listed on the #1449 form are being submitted herewith.

The disclosure of the above references does not constitute an admission that they are relevant or material to the claims or are "prior art" to the subject application. The citation of them is not to be construed as a representation that no better art exists or that a search has been made; they are cited merely as constituting collectively the closest art of which Applicant(s) are aware.

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LETTER TO THE COMMISSIONER RE 37 C.F.R. 1.56

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Sir:

In accordance with Applicant's duty to disclose under 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and MPEP 2001.06(b), the Applicants of the above-identified patent application hereby advise the Examiner of the existence of United States Patent application(s) assigned to Norton Company which may be considered "material" to the prosecution of the above-identified application. Accordingly, we have listed below the application(s).

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